## **North Haven Public Schools**

North Haven, Connecticut 06473

## Curriculum & Instruction Meeting Minutes June 1, 2015 9 AM Central Office

Anita Anderson, Wes O'Brien and Melinda McKenna were in attendance.

- Field Trip Request- North Haven Transition Partnership- New York City. This field trip was approved by the C & I committee and will be discussed at the June Board of Education meeting.
- District Phonics Committee and discussion around supplemental phonics programs for primary
  grades- Mrs. McKenna shared that she has been working with a group of teachers (elementary,
  Special Education and reading) to discuss phonics instruction in the primary grades. The group is
  looking at various programs to supplement our current Language Arts Units of Study and Words
  Their Way Program. Work will continue over the summer and Mrs. McKenna will continue to update
  the C & I group on the findings.
- Nature's Classroom- The group continued our discussion around how to involve all schools in the
  Nature's Classroom experience. The C & I group will invite Mrs. Federico (Montowese Principal) and
  Lauretta Dowling (Clintonville Principal) to our September meeting to discuss how these buildings
  have handled Nature's Classroom in the past. A parent survey will be developed and sent to
  parents in the fall to get a sense of parent interest at Clintonville and Montowese.

The next C & I meeting will be scheduled for the beginning of August. Time and date to be determined.